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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s) : Tetsujiro KONDO et al.

Serial No. : 09/824,284

For : **EMBEDDED CODING UNIT AND EMBEDDED CODING
METHOD, DECODING UNIT AND DECODING
METHOD, AND STORAGE MEDIUM**

Filed : April 2, 2001

Examiner : T. Johnson

Art Unit : 2625

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AMENDMENT

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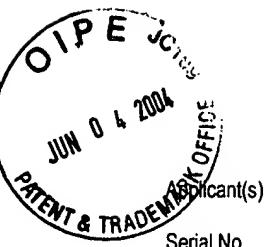
Dear Sir:

Responsive to the non-final Office Action which issued March 4, 2004, please consider
the following amendment to the above-referenced application.

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

No additional fee is required.
 The fee has been calculated as shown below.
 This is an application of a small entity under 37 CFR 1.9(f), and the amounts shown in parentheses apply.

Claims as Amended

(1)	(2) Claims remaining after amendment	(3)	(4) Highest number previously paid for	(5)	(6)	(7) Additional fee
Total claims	35	Minus	33 =	2 ×	\$18(9)	= \$36.00
Independent claims	8	Minus	6 =	2 ×	\$86(43)	= \$172.00
			Total additional fee for this amendment			= \$208.00

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This application contains a multiple dependent claim. The required fee of \$290 (\$145) has been previously paid or is paid herewith .
 This response is being filed within the _____ month following the expiration of the term originally set therefor.
This is a petition to request a -month extension of time. A check covering the cost of the petition is enclosed.
 A USPTO Form 2038 – Credit Card Payment Form in the amount of \$ 208.00 is attached, which covers the cost of
 additional claims and -month petition for extension of time.
 Charge \$ _____ to Deposit Account No. 50-0320.
 Please charge any additional fees incurred by reason of this response or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0320.

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